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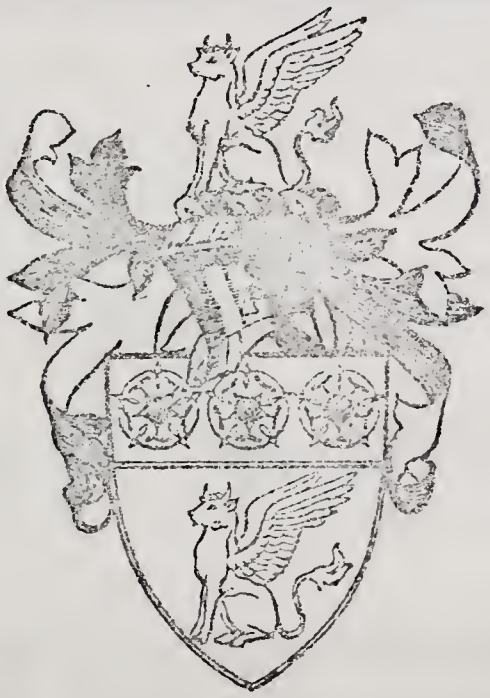

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Facing page 9, under portrait of Arthur Webster Bond, *Harford* instead of Hartford.

Page 14, seventh line, read *1914* instead of 1910.

Page 23, fourth line, read *Leonidas* instead of Leonadis.

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FOREWORD

THIS genealogy has been compiled for my children. It extends over a period of 284 years from the birth of William Cecil in 1665. What relation he was, if any, to Joshua Cecil, Gent, who died in Prince George's County in 1717, I do not know, nor do I know whether he was related to the Cecils of St. Mary's County, a John Cicill being there in 1658.

In these early records, one finds variations in spelling of the name, and in this connection a letter written by Lord Burghley's son, the First Earl of Exeter, to his Uncle, Hugh Allington, November 13, 1605, is of interest:

"Likewise my Lord my father altering the writing of his name maketh many that are not well affected to our house to doubt whether we are rightly descended of the house of Wales, because they write his name Sitselt and our name is written Cecyll; my grandfather wrote it Syssell; and so in autography [sic] all the three names differ. Whereof I marvel what moved my Lord my father to alter it." To this it may be added that in the Patent Rolls, David Cecil's name is spelt: Scisseld, Cecille, Cecill, Cecile, Sicile, Ceyssell and the variants Cicyll and Cecyll occur in connection with his son Richard.

The records which I have gathered together and many of the photographs which I have reproduced have been preserved by me since my childhood. Other data and photographs have been added by my brothers, Mr. Owen S. Cecil of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Dr. Howard Lee Cecil of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and by my sister Mrs. William Gover Williams of Anne Arundel

County, Maryland, and my niece, Mrs. Fulton Bramble of Baltimore.

For the genealogy of my wife's family, I am indebted to Mr. and Mrs. William Hodgdon of East Boothbay, Maine; Mr. Fred Needham of Whiting, Vermont; and to Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Oren Smith of Los Angeles. Also, the *Biography of Roger Sherman* by Roger Sherman Boardman and *Sherman Genealogy* by Charles Pomeroy Sherman.

ARTHUR BOND CECIL.

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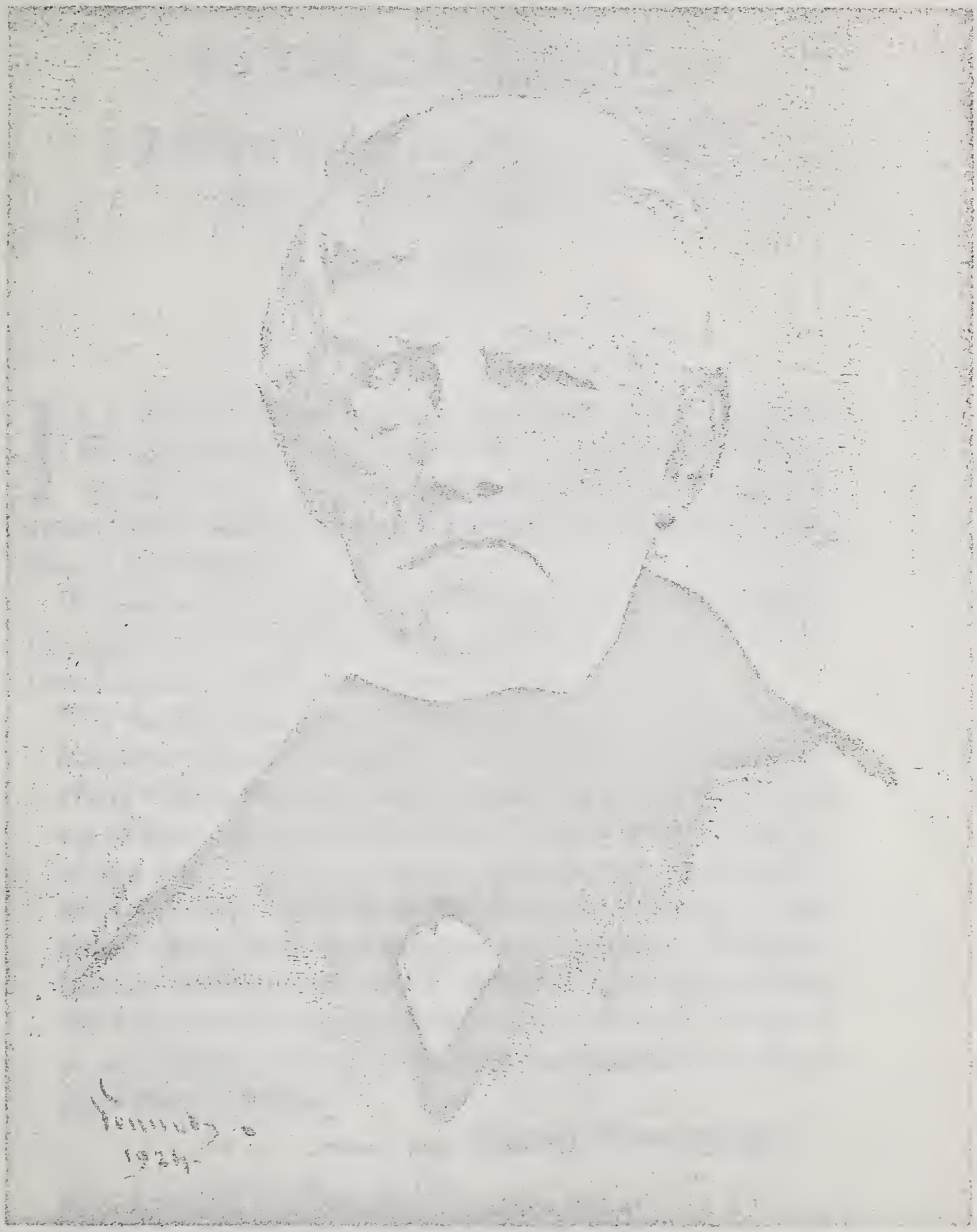

WILLIAM CECIL

1775-1860

Portrait by Robert Vonnoh from a photograph

WILLIAM CECIL

of Prince George's County, Maryland and some of his descendants

1665-1949

In a deposition made to the November Court of Prince George's County, Maryland, in 1732, William Sesell deposed that he was 67 years of age which would make his birth around 1665. He further deposed that he had "spent most of his time in this Province."

William Sesell at a session of the County Court held in Prince George's County, Province of Maryland, on March 19, 1697/8, bound his three children to Mareen Duvall, as follows:

"To the Commissioners of Prince George's County, these are humbly to Sattisfie you that I, William Sesell, by the request of my wife as She lay upon her death bed I have disposed of my children to Marreen Douall (sic) and his heirs till they are of age. John Sesell, aged seven years the 24th of December last past, Philip Sesell, aged five years the 28th day of this instant, Susan Sesell aged two years of January last. These are humbly to Request of your Lordship to bind these children this Court to the aforesaid Douall and his heirs to the age of 21 and the girle att 16 as witness my hand and Seale the day & years above Written.

(*Signed*) William Sesell

Signed, Sealed & delivered in ye presents of us.

Allex Beall

Solomon X. Simpson

"Solomon Simpson Came into Court & made oath that he see William Sesell Signe Seale & deliver the above as his Act and Deed. Whereupon att the request of Marcen Douall, it is ordered to be Recorded in the Records in the Prince George's County."

From the foregoing, it is therefore proved that the births of the three children of William Sesell were as follows:

1. John Sesell, born Dec. 31, 1691.
2. Philip Sesell, born March 28, 1693.
3. Susan Sesell, born Jan., 1696.

Marcen Duvall, who became the guardian of the children of William Sesell, was the son of Mareen Duvall, Sr., a French Huguenot, who settled on South River in Anne Arundel County. As Marcen Duvall, the Emigrant, had two sons named Mareen, designated as the Elder and the Younger, it is not known who became the guardian of the Sesell children—but most likely Mareen the Younger.

JOHN CECILL

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

1691-1758-59

JOHN CECIL, son of William Sesell, was born on December 31, 1691. According to the register of Queen Anne's Parish, Prince George's County, Maryland, John Cecill married Elizabeth Sollars in the year 1718.

His last will and testament was dated July 14. 1758, and admitted to Probate in Prince George's County, Maryland, on January 28, 1759. He devised his wife Elizabeth during her widowhood the dwelling-plantation, but after her marriage or death, it was to revert to his son, Zephaniah Cecill and his heirs forever. All negroes were bequeathed to his wife Elizabeth and at her death, they were to be equally divided among all his children.

"CLAYLAND"

"CLAYLAND" AFTER REMODELING 1890

The administration bond of his widow and executrix valued at £600 was dated February 5, 1759, with Sabret Cecil and Samuel Cecil as sureties. The inventory of his personal estate valued at £215/12/6 was appraised on February 5, 1759, by Thomas Gordon and William Shaw Jr. Thomas Cecil and James Cecil signed the papers as next of kin. They were filed at Court on May 4 of the same year by Elizabeth Cisel the executrix.

Children of John and Elizabeth (Sollars) Cecil

1. Zephaniah Cecil. Proved by father's will.
2. Thomas Cecil. Approved inventory as kinsman.
3. James Cecil. Approved inventory as kinsman.
4. Sabret Cecil. Namesake and heir of his uncle Sabret Sollars.
5. John Cecil. Seized of "Twice Bought" and "Cecil's Purchase."
6. Samuel Cecil. Administered upon the estate of his grandfather, the first William Cecil, who was born in 1665 and died in Frederick County, Md., in 1749. John Cecil, one of the bondsmen of Samuel Cecil, was the father of Samuel and was the son whom William Cecil bound out to Mareen Duvall 52 years before. Thomas Cecil and Sabret Cecil, who approved the inventory, were the brothers of Samuel the Administrator, and sons of John the Bondsman.

JAMES CECIL

1734-1800-1810

James Cecil, son of John and Elizabeth Sollars Cecil, was born in Prince George's County, Maryland, in 1734. He married Jane Thomas, daughter of Thomas and Eleanor (—) Thomas. She died in Prince George's County in 1775.

Children of James and Jane (Thomas) Cecil

1. Elizabeth Cecil, b. 1761.
2. James Cecil, b. 1764, buried October 17, 1801, Prince Georges Parish. His wife buried September 6, 1796.
3. Philip Cecil, b. 1768, d. April 1807. Married Rachel Lazare.
4. Richard Cecil, b. 1773.
5. William Cecil, b. 1775, d. June 13, 1860.
   Married: 1. Ann Owens 2. Amelia Coffield
6. Twin daughters born 1766, living with father in 1790.

James Cecil lived within 3 miles of Bladensburg on the road to Snowden's Ironworks. This would place him on the now University of Maryland Campus.

James Cecil took the oath of fidelity in 1776.

WILLIAM CECIL

1775-1860

William cecil was born in Prince George's County, Maryland, in 1775. He died in Baltimore June 13, 1860. He had purchased a house in Baltimore on May 19, 1859.

On November 5, 1813, William Cecil bought 400 acres in Anne Arundel County and opened a tavern near Hanover. On December 21, 1802, he married Nanny Owens in Montgomery County. Ann Owens (Nanny Owens) was the daughter of Samuel and Mercy (Turner) Owens. She was born in 1787 and died May 3, 1834. There were 10 children by this marriage.

Children of William and Ann (Owens) Cecil

1. Ann Cecil, b. 1803, married Jacob Barry Jr. January 17, 1824.
2. Samuel Cecil, b. 1805, d. October 14, 1853. Married Mary Summers.
3. Owen Cecil, b. January 28, 1807, d. April 23, 1882.

HELEN SINCLAIR OWENS

From a Portrait by Sarah Peale painted in St. Louis C. 1856.

Edward Armistead Owens
Sarah Peale C. 1856

Mary Sinclair Bills Owens
Sarah Peale C. 1856

Married: 1. Margaret Donaldson; 2. Sarah Ann Pope.

4. Eliza Cecil, b. 1808, d. August 17, 1891. Married Joshua Owens.
5. William Cecil, b. 1812, d. December 5, 1864. Never married.
6. Daughter Cecil, born before 1820, died before 1830. Census record.
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8. Mary Ann Cecil, b. 1825. Married James Harrington.
9. Caroline Cecil, b. 1828. Married Mordica Hooper.
10. James Cecil, b. 1831. Married Elizabeth (Gosnell) Cecil.

On August 15, 1853, William Cecil took out a license in Baltimore to marry Amelia Coffield. There were no children by this marriage, and Amelia died in 1858. Her will was proved August 9, 1858.

In a family burying ground on a place which was owned by George Disney in 1938 at Severn, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, is the grave of William Cecil. The tombstone is marked, William Cecil, died June 13, 1860, age 85 years.

Others buried in this burying ground are Ann Cecil his first wife, who died May 3, 1834, age 47 years; his son Samuel Cecil, died October 14, 1853, age 47 years; his son William Cecil Jr., died December 5, 1864, age 52 years; Eliza Owens, (daughter of William Cecil and wife of Joshua Owens) died August 17, 1891, age 84 years; Joshua Owens (husband of Eliza) died April 21, 1875, age 69 years; Adah Ann (daughter of Joshua and Eliza Owens) born July 18, 1840, died January 25, 1858.

James Cecil mentioned above married the widow of his nephew, Rodolphus Cecil, son of Owen Cecil. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Gosnell, born in 1829. By this marriage he had four children. Ward Cecil, born May 23, 1869, never married, and died 1948. Josephine Cecil died as an infant. Richard Cecil died as an infant. Viola Mary Cecil (Ola), born July 1, 1872. Married William Eugene Getteir of Baltimore, January 1, 1896.

There were three children. Josephine born January 30, 1897, died October 18, 1937. Norman William born May 16, 1904. Vivian Viola born April 23, 1911.

Eliza Cecil, daughter of William Cecil, married Joshua Owens in the First Methodist Church of Baltimore, December 23, 1828. There were six children. Thomas, William, Mary, Susan, Joshua, Adah Ann. Eliza Cecil Owens died August 17, 1891.

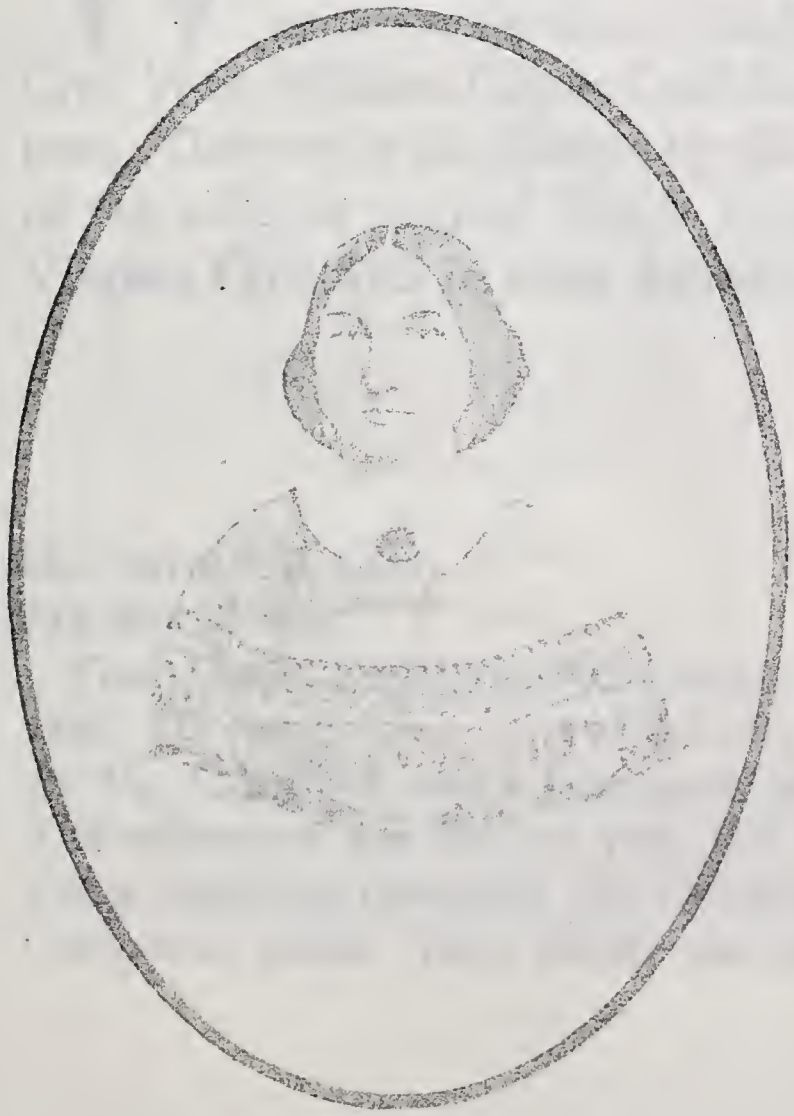
OWEN CECIL
1807-1882

OWEN CECIL, son of William Cecil, was born January 28, 1807. He married Margaret H. Donaldson, daughter of Richard Donaldson, in 1833. She died in 1839. By this marriage there were four children: Anne Rebecca, b. August 1, 1834, d. June 14, 1861; Rodolphus, b. December 31, 1836, died of wounds in battle, 1864, buried in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia; Julius, b. October 2, 1837, d. 1889, buried in Baldwin Memorial Methodist Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland; Margaret, b. April 18, 1839, d. an infant.

Owen Cecil married as his second wife, 1843, Sarah Anne Pope, daughter of Nathaniel Pope and Sarah Beall Pope. Nathaniel Pope married Sarah Beall on January 12, 1802, in Prince Georges County, Maryland. By this marriage, Owen Cecil had four children: Josephine, b. September 28, 1843, d. September 3, 1927; Leonidas, b. March 1, 1847, d. January 1, 1899; James Prescott and Marcellus died as infants. Sarah Anne Pope Cecil was born June 12, 1809. She died December 1, 1884. She is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

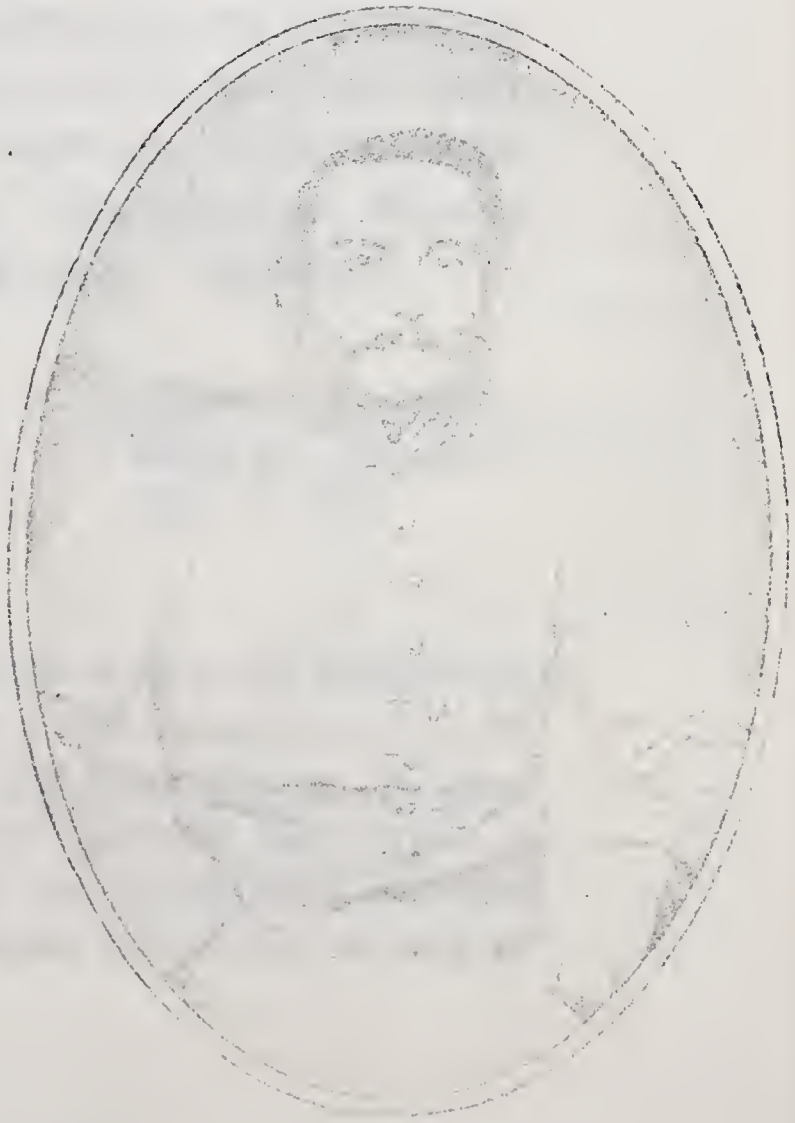
In 1847 Owen Cecil moved to Clayland near Millersville, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. He built the house in 1846.

CECIL LOT, *St. Stephen's Churchyard*



ANNE REBECCA CECIL

Daughter of Owen Cecil. B. August 1, 1834. Married 1860 William Edwin Sangston of Baltimore. D. June 14, 1861. Buried in Baltimore. No descendants.



RODOLPHUS CECIL

Son of Owen Cecil. B. Dec. 31, 1836. Attended Dickinson College. Married Elizabeth Gorsel of Baltimore 1861. One child, William Edwin Cecil born 1861. Confederate Calvary. Twice wounded, last time May 25, 1864. Died from wounds in 1864. Buried in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia.

This place was later the home of my Uncle and Aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Webster Bond.

Owen Cecil died April 23, 1882. He is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard near Millersville, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

OWEN CECIL—MARGARET H. DONALDSON

Anne Rebecca	Rodolphus	Julius	Margaret

OWEN CECIL—SARAH ANNE POPE

Josephine	*Leonidas	James Prescott	Marcellus

WILLIAM EDWIN CECIL

William Edwin Cecil, son of Rodolophus Cecil inherited an estate from his grandfather, Owen Cecil, as he was the heir of his father who was killed in the Civil War. William Edwin Cecil first married Josephine Pettibone. There were no children by this marriage. After the death of this wife, he married Blanch Joyce. One daughter, Blanche Virginia Cecil lives in Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

"Hunters Lodge"
Buies N. Carolina
July 31, 1911

Dr. Arthur B. Cecil
My dear Arthur:

Your Uncle, Rodolphus Cecil came South during the Summer of 1861. He enlisted in a Maryland Company which was then "Co. M. 1st Va. Calvy." I was a Lieutenant of this Company at the time. The enlistment was for one year, and the following May, while in Camp upon the Peninsula, the Company was reorganized and two Companies made. Your Uncle was elected Lieutenant of one of

them, and it became "Co. K. 1st Va. Cavly." and as such made a good reputation. I was made Lieutenant of the other Company and it became "Co. A. 1st Md. Cavly." Lieut. Cecil was a conspicuously gallant soldier. He was wounded in the foot during the Summer of 1862 and it was amputated. He was taken to Charlottesville, where he had every attention in a tent to himself in a cool healthy place. I went to see him and found him very despondent. The wound did not heal and another amputation was necessary, but he died after several weeks.

Yours truly,
FRANK A. BOND
EX Major C. S. A.

CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL LITERARY SOCIETY
Confederate Museum
Richmond, Virginia

June 5, 1931

DR. ARTHUR B. CECIL
Los Angeles, California

Dear Dr. Cecil:

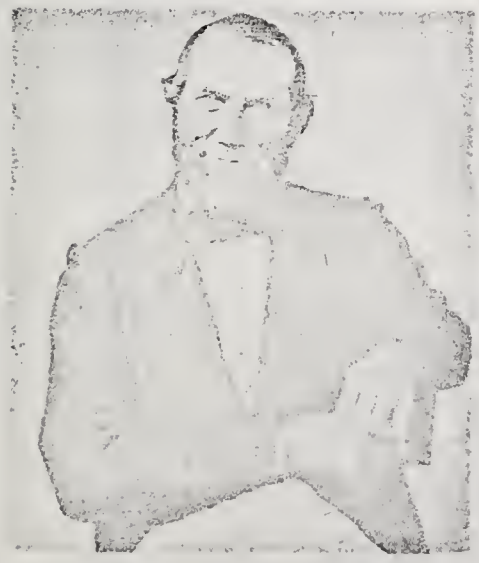
Dr. Stuart McGuire, kindly forwarded to this Museum today the Confederate Surgical Notebook which you most generously presented to this Society in memory of your uncle Lt. Rodolphus Cecil, Co. M. First Virginia Cavalry, who gave his all to his Country. This Society greatly appreciates your interest and your valuable gift. It will be tenderly treasured by the dear women who have made this beautiful memorial possible.

We hope that we may have the pleasure of welcoming you to this White House of the Confederacy (Confederate Museum) and thank you in person.

Sincerely yours,
SUSAN B. HARRISON
House Regent

Julius Cecil, son of Owen Cecil, was born October 2, 1837. He married Susan Dodson in 1861. By this marriage he had five children, all of whom died unmarried: Anne Rebecca; Margaret;

Where William Cecil Is Buried



OWEN CECIL 1807-1882

OWEN CECIL

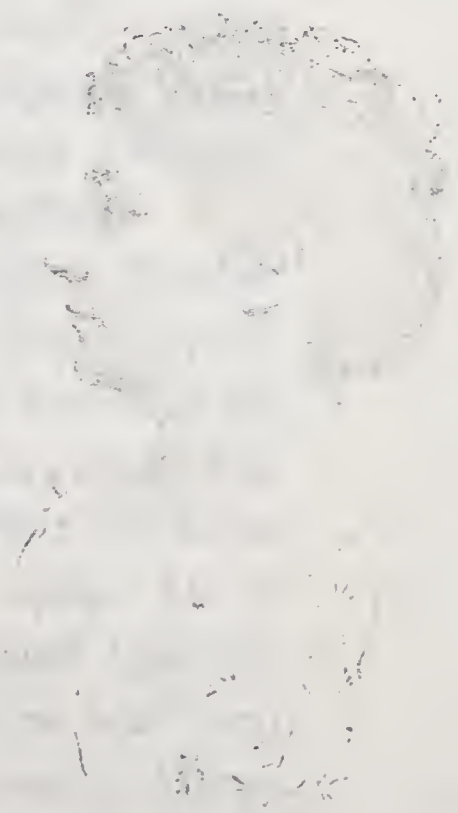
SARAH ANNE POPE CECIL
LEONIDAS CECIL

JOSEPHINE CECIL, 1868

JOSEPHINE CECIL BOND

ARTHUR WEBSTER BOND

Born July 8, 1842. in Hartford County, Maryland. Served in the First Maryland Cavalry C. S. A. He was related to Augustus Bradford, wartime Governor of Maryland. His brother was General Frank A. Bond. Married Josephine Cecil, daughter of Owen Cecil. No descendants. Arthur Webster Bond died April 11, 1931. Buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.



JOSEPHINE CECIL BOND

George; Clara; Julia. Julius Cecil d. 1889. He is buried in Baldwin Memorial Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

Josephine Cecil, daughter of Owen Cecil, was born September 28, 1843. She married Arthur Webster Bond. Josephine Cecil Bond died September 3, 1927. She is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. No descendants. I was named for my Uncle Arthur Bond.

LEONIDAS CECIL
1845-1899

Leonidas Cecil was born March 1, 1845. He was educated at the Anne Arundel Academy which his father, Owen Cecil helped to establish. He was married to Helen Sinclair Owens December 2, 1875, in St. Paul's Parish, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, by Dr. Julius Dashield.

Helen Sinclair Owens was one of two daughters of Captain Edward Armistead Owens. She was born in St. Louis, Missouri, December 27, 1853, and died in Baltimore, Maryland, December 30, 1930. She is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. Helen Sinclair Owens was educated at Miss Harwood's School in Annapolis, Maryland.

Captain Edward Armistead Owens married Mary Sinclair Bills, who was born in Allentown, New Jersey, September 6, 1829. She died in Baltimore, May 29, 1892, and is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. Edward Armistead Owens was born January 28, 1827 in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, and died May 31, 1909. He is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. Another daughter, Ola Woodland Owens was born August 4, 1862, at Crownsville, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. She married McClellan Ford. She died March 21, 1926,

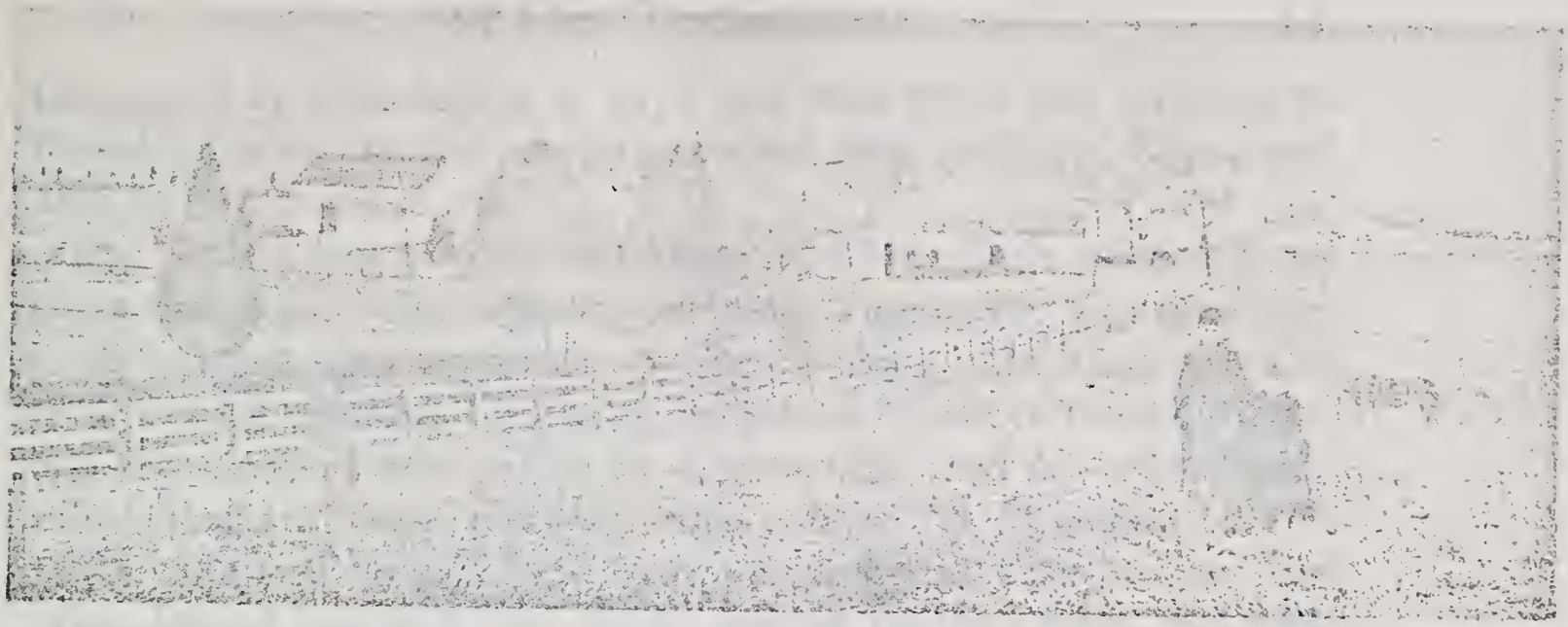
and is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

Edward Armistead Owens ran away from home when he was 12 years old, crossed the Alleghanies in a Stage Coach, and when I was a boy, he told me of the bitter cold and of a gentleman wrapping his overcoat about him. He stopped in St. Louis and went to work for a French lady who had a store for Women's Clothes. Later he acquired this store. He met Sara Peale, the noted artist, and commissioned her to paint two portraits of himself, two of his wife, Mary, and one of his daughter, Helen Sinclair Owens, C 1856. Two of these portraits were sent to his sister, Mrs. George Claytor in Anne Arundel County. They were inherited by her daughter, Mrs. Bertha Welsh, of 607 North Charles Street, Baltimore, and were later acquired by me. The portrait of my Mother, Helen Sinclair Owens, was given to me by my mother. The other two portraits of Edward Armistead Owens and his wife, were inherited by Mrs. Ola Woodland Ford, and are now owned by her daughter, Mrs. Rolland Mancure, The Rectory, St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

EXCERPTS FROM A LETTER FROM MY MOTHER JANUARY 27, 1922

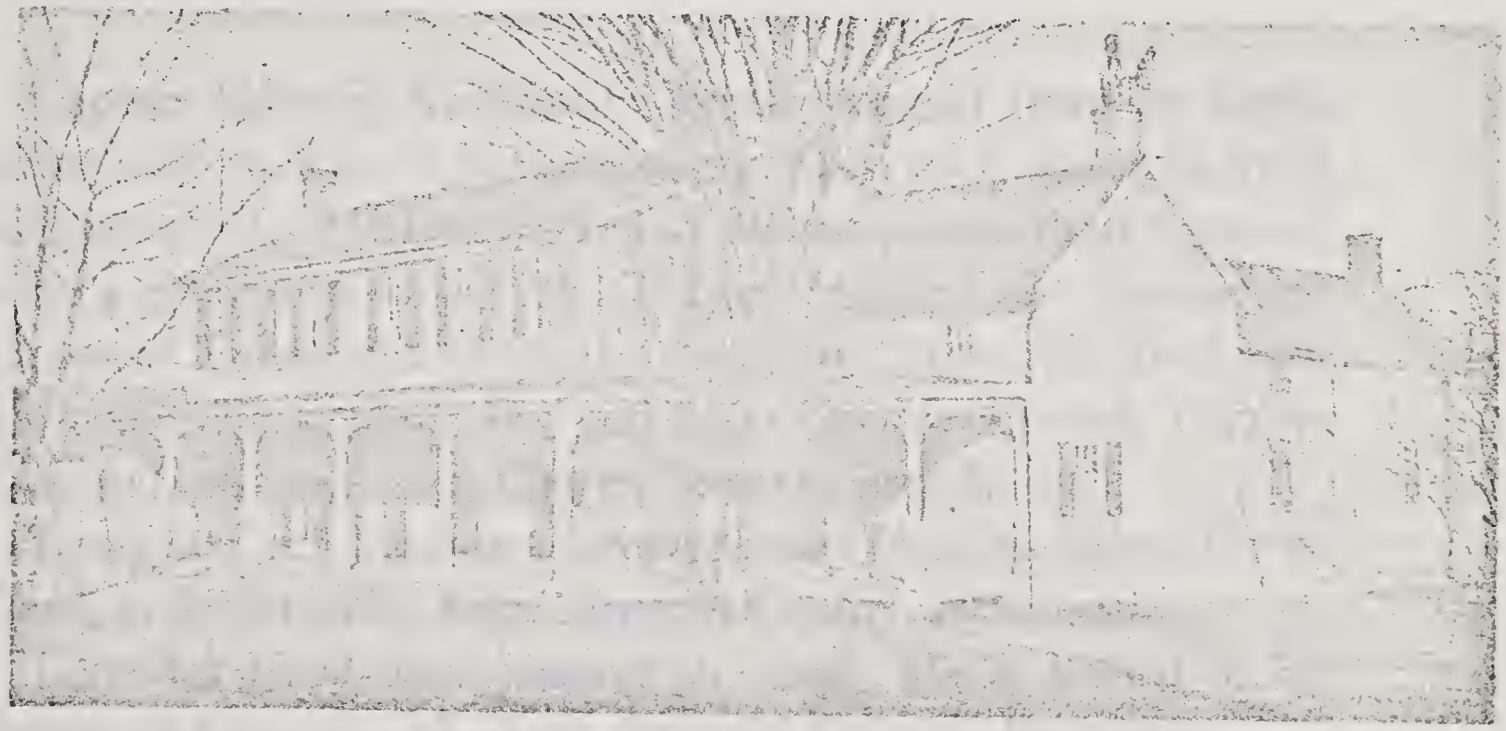
My portrait was painted between 1855-1860 by Sarah Peale. I often heard Papa and Mama talk about Miss Peale. Miss Peale went from Philadelphia to St. Louis and returned to Philadelphia and died there, but she lived in St. Louis for many years. I don't remember about any sittings at Miss Peale's, although I have a faint remembrance of going to her rooms with Mama. She came to our house to watch me and the dog. I don't remember much, but I know that the dog's name was Prince. I don't think Miss Peale ever married.

I think my picture would look better in its original fraime, but I did not know about this when I changed it. (1892.) At the exhibition lately held of Colonial treasures at the Peabody, there were two pictures painted by Sarah Peale. Charles Wilson Peale's grandmother was Sarah Brewer, and Miss Peale was probably named for her. I think Sarah Peale was born in 1796, because Mama went to the



VIEW OF FARM OF LEONIDAS CECIL AT MILLERSVILLE 1889

Owen Cecil, left foreground. Right foreground, Louise Cecil and Arthur Cecil.



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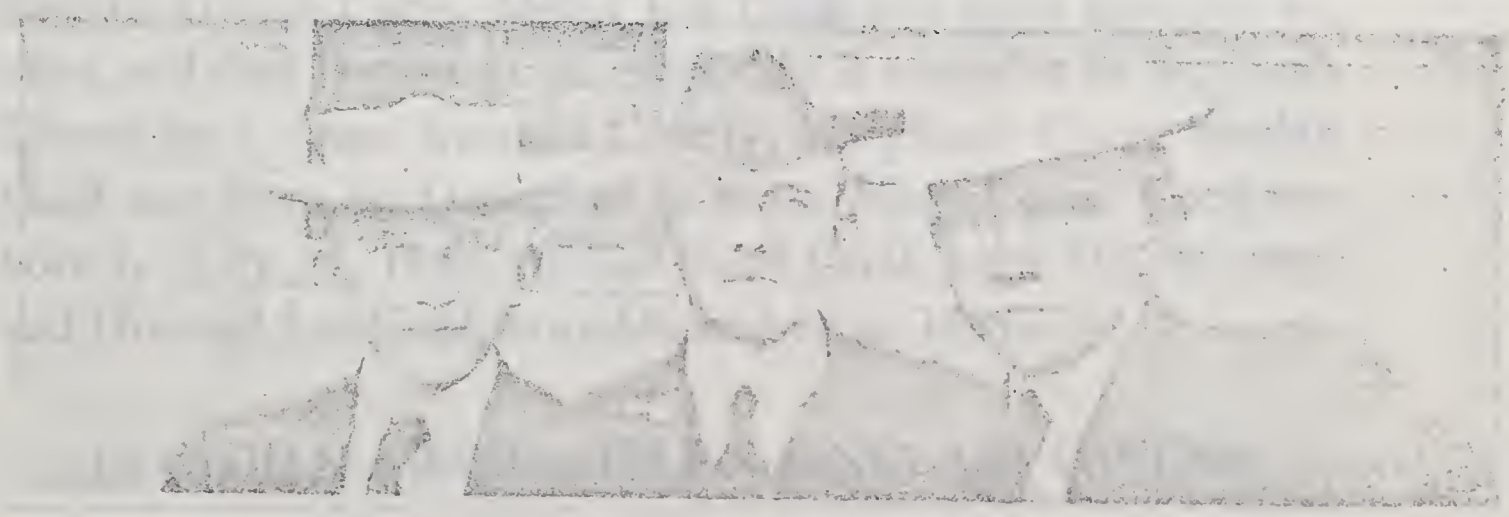

HOWARD CECIL OWEN CECIL ARTHUR CECIL

Centennial in Philadelphia in 1876, and Miss Peale had returned to Philadelphia and held a reception on her 80th birthday. Mama and Miss Lackey went to this.

My picture cost $125.00 and Mama said Miss Peale painted it out more than once before she was satisfied. I guess she was never entirely satisfied with her work. A singular thing. Mr. Maycock who came from Louisville, Kentucky, to Severn Parish to be our Pastor, one day entered our parlor in Crownsville, and he immediately asked Mama if those pictures were painted by Miss Peale of St. Louis. He said he had lived in the same house with her and had often helped her with her work, carried out her ashes and such things. Mama said Miss Peale was very extravagant in dress and loved all kinds of pretty things.

Captain Edward Armistead Owens returned from St. Louis about 1860 to Anne Arundel County, Maryland, where he lived at Crownsville. He later moved to Baltimore, and there together with a gentleman named Mr. Turner, founded the Commission House of Turner and Owens on East Pratt Street. He lived with his niece and nephew Dr. and Mrs. Eberley Welsch (Bertha Claytor), at 607 North Charles Street, where he died.

Leonidas Cecil lived on a farm inherited from his father, Owen Cecil, at Millersville, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

Leonidas Cecil died January 1, 1899. He is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

There were five children born to Leonidas Cecil and Helen Sinclair Owens Cecil. Mabel Lee Cecil was born October 22, 1876, and died December 30, 1880. She is buried in St. Stephen's Churchyard, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. Owen Sinclair Cecil was born on December 3, 1878: Mary Louise Cecil was born on July 28, 1880; Arthur Bond Cecil, born May 8, 1885; and Howard Lee Cecil, born December 20, 1887.

LEONIDAS CECIL—HELEN SINCLAIR OWENS

Mabel Lee Owen Sinclair Mary Louise *Arthur Bond Howard Lee

OWEN SINCLAIR CECIL
1878-

OWEN SINCLAIR CECIL was born December 3, 1878, in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. He attended the Anne Arundel Academy and St. John's College Preparatory School. Graduated from St. John's College, A.B. 1898. Graduated from Maryland University Law School in 1901. As a student, he was in the office of Mr. James P. Gorter, later Judge Gorter of Baltimore. Admitted to the Bar of Alleghany County, Pennsylvania, 1902. Upon the recommendation of Mr. James Munroe, of Annapolis, Maryland, he was given a position with Watson and McCleave, attorneys of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mr. Watson successfully argued the Alaska Boundary Question. He continued in the firm of Watson and McCleave until 1908, when the partnership was dissolved, and he became a member of the firm of McCleave and Cecil, until Mr. McCleave's death in March, 1911. Attorney, Pittsburgh.

Owen Sinclair Cecil married Martha Gibson Royse of Toronto, Canada. There were two children, Alice Royse Cecil, born October 9, 1907, who married Glenn Landis Guy, and Owen Sinclair Cecil, Jr., born August 27, 1912, who married Margaret Elizabeth Siedle.

MARY LOUISE CECIL
1880-

MARY LOUISE CECIL was born July 28, 1880. She was educated at Anne Arundel Academy, the Girl's Latin School of Baltimore, where she graduated in June, 1897, and attended The Women's College, now Goucher College, 1897-1900. She married William Gover Williams, Jr., May 14, 1900. There were five children: Matilda Dare, born July 31,

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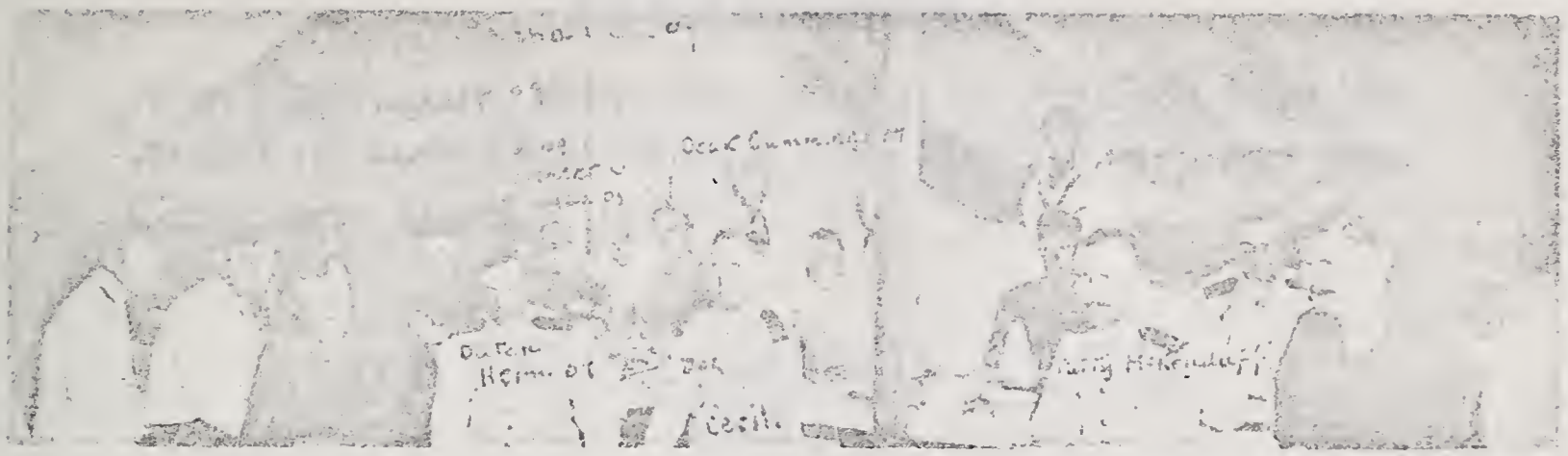

Assistant Surgeon U. S. Navy
Guantanamo, Cuba, 1911

Arthur Bond Cecil, 1912
Assistant to Dr. Hugh H. Young of Baltimore

1901; Mary Louise, born June 10, 1904; Gladys Cecil, born November 16, 1907; Otho Holland, born May 25, 1913; and Janet Cecily, born March 8, 1917.

ARTHUR BOND CECIL
1885-

ARTHUR BOND CECIL, surgeon, urologist; b. Millersville, Md., May 8, 1885; S. Leonidas and Helen Sinclair (Owens) C.; student Anne Arundel Acad., St. John's Coll. Prep. Sch., 1900-01; B.S., St. John's Coll., 1905; honor grad. Johns Hopkins Med. Sch. 1909; grad. U.S. Naval Med. Sch., 1910; m. Mary Wrightson Caulk, July 24, 1913; children—Arthur Bond, Duncan Cameron Walton; m. 2d, Henrietta Alice Smith, Aug. 12, 1938; children—Anne Arundel, Henrietta Alice, Josephine, William Hodgdon Cecil. Resigned from U.S. Navy to become asst. to Dr. Hugh H. Young, 1911; resident urologist at Johns Hopkins Hosp., 1912-13; removed to Los Angeles, Calif., 1913; attending urologist Hosp. of Good Samaritan; chief dept. urology Good Hope Clinic and Hosp. Foundation; chief sect. of urology Los Angeles County Gen. Hosp., 1932-36; prof. urology Sch. Med. Evangelists, 1932-36; dir.. Good Hope Clinic and Hosp. Foundation. Lieut. comdr. Med. Reserve Corps, U.S. Navy. Fellow Am. Coll. of Surgeons; mem. Am., Calif. State, Southern Calif., and Los Angeles County med. assns., Pacific Coast Surg. Assn., Am. Urol. Assn., Am. Assn. of Genito-Urinary Surgeons, Los Angeles Symposium Soc., Phi Sigma Kappa; hon. mem. Omaha Mid-West Clinical Soc. Republican. Episcopalian. Author of many pub. addresses and papers on urol. surgery; contrb. chapters to Cabot's System of Urology. Home: 251 Muirfield Road. Office: 1136 W. 6th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

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ARTHUR BOND CECIL–MARY WRIGHTSON CAULK
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Arthur Bond Cecil Jr. Duncan Cameron Walton Cecil

ARTHUR BOND CECIL–HENRIETTA ALICE SMITH

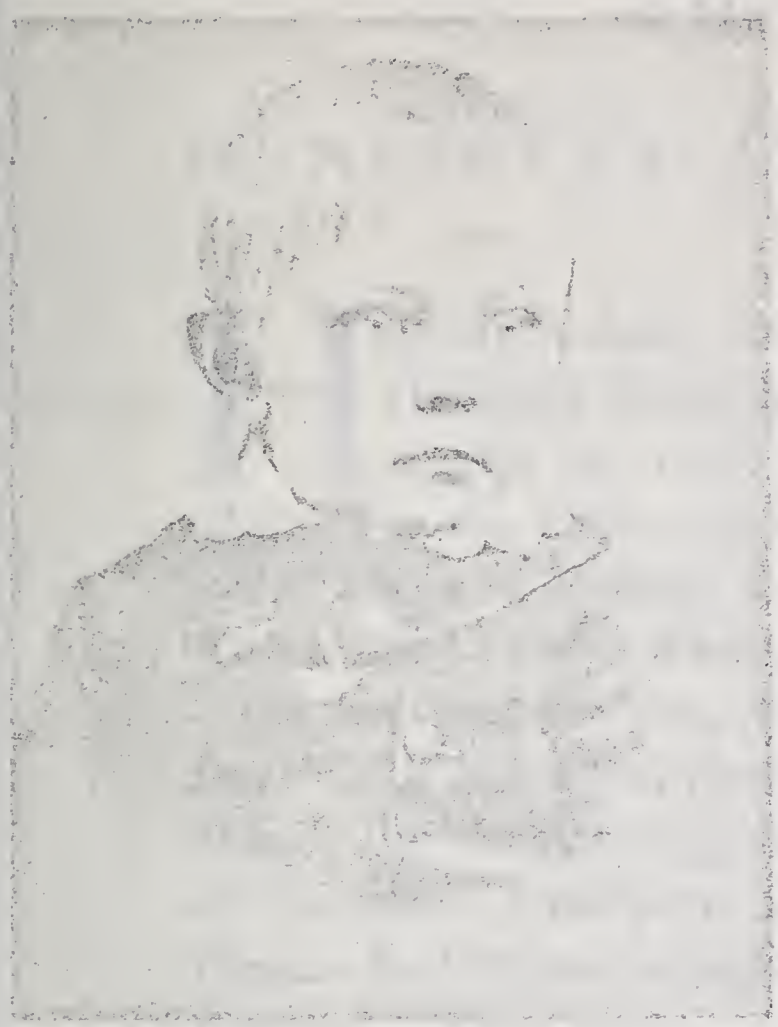
Anne Arundel Henrietta Alice Josephine William Hodgdon

ARTHUR BOND CECIL, JR.
1910-

ARTHUR Bond Cecil, Jr., was born August 1, 1914. Preliminary education, Santa Barbara School. Graduated at Harvard University and Johns Hopkins Medical School. Surgical Staff Johns Hopkins and Duke University. Captain, Medical Corps, Army of the United States, World War II. Served in European Theater. Surgeon, Durham, North Carolina.

DUNCAN CAMERON WALTON CECIL
1915-

DUNCAN Cameron Walton Cecil was born December 21, 1915. Preliminary education, Santa Barbara School. Graduated at Princeton University and Harvard Law School. Attorney, Los Angeles.



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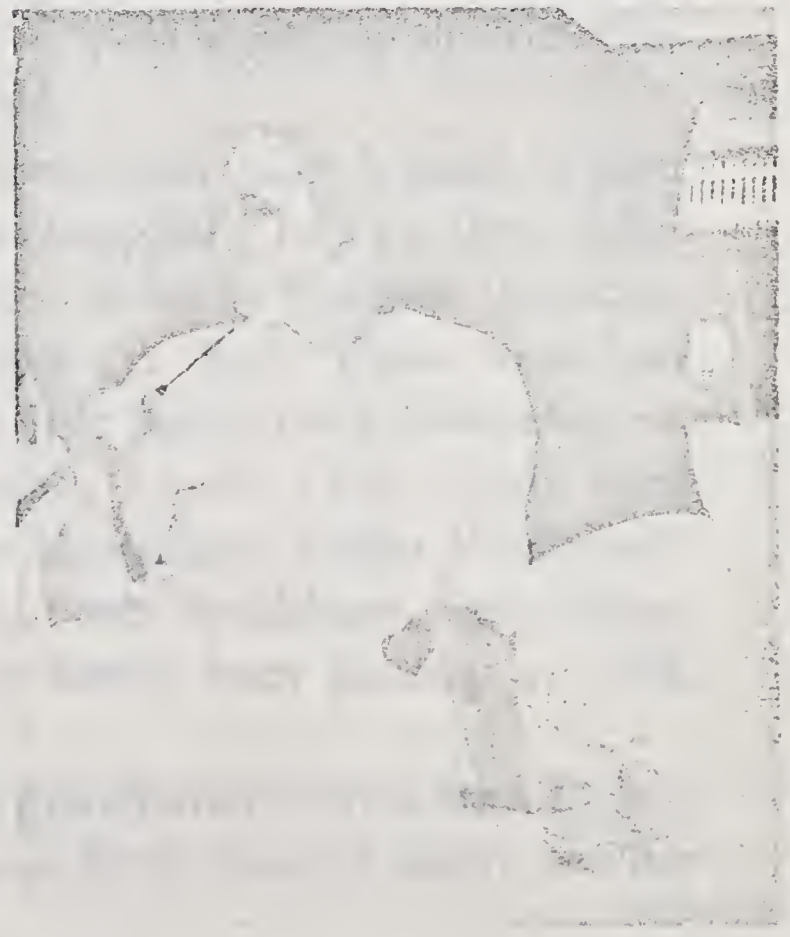
MARTHA GIBSON ROYSE CECIL



MARY LOUISE CECIL WILLIAMS

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HENRIETTA ALICE SMITH CECIL
1908-

Henrietta Alice Smith, daughter of Anne Wahlgreen Hodgdon Smith and Lyman Oren Smith, was born August 19, 1908, in Bristol, Rhode Island. She was educated at the University of Michigan and The Bishop Johnson's College of Nursing, Los Angeles, California. She married Arthur Bond Cecil in Yuma, Arizona, on August 12, 1938.

On her mother's side, Henrietta Smith Cecil is descended from Caleb Hodgdon, pioneer Boat Builder of East Boothbay, Maine. For the genealogy of the Hodgdon family see, "History of Boothbay, Southport, and Boothbay Harbor, Maine," by Francis B. Greene, published by Loring, Short and Harmon, Portland, Maine, 1906.

Her father, Lyman Oren Smith, was the son of Rev. Gaylord Beecher Smith, a Baptist Minister, and Alice Vienna Walker Smith. Gaylord Beecher Smith graduated from the University of Vermont, and during the Civil War, served in the 3rd Vermont Artillery and was wounded.

The Rev. Gaylord Beecher Smith and Alice Vienna Walker were married in Plainfield, New Hampshire, July 13, 1877. Alice Vienna Walker was the daughter of Sarah Hercelia (Duncan) Walker, who was born February 25, 1825. There were four children by this marriage: Alta Jane Smith, born November 24, 1878, Plainfield, New Hampshire; Lyman Oren Smith, born May 10, 1881, Plainfield, New Hampshire; Rollin Wadsworth Smith, born November 16, 1883, South Syndeboro, New Hampshire; Warren Tucker Stewart Smith, born January 1, 1888, Jamestown, Rhode Island.

Henrietta Smith Cecil's great-grandfather was the Rev. Lyman Smith. His second wife, Rebecca Sarah Beecher Smith, was her great-grandmother.

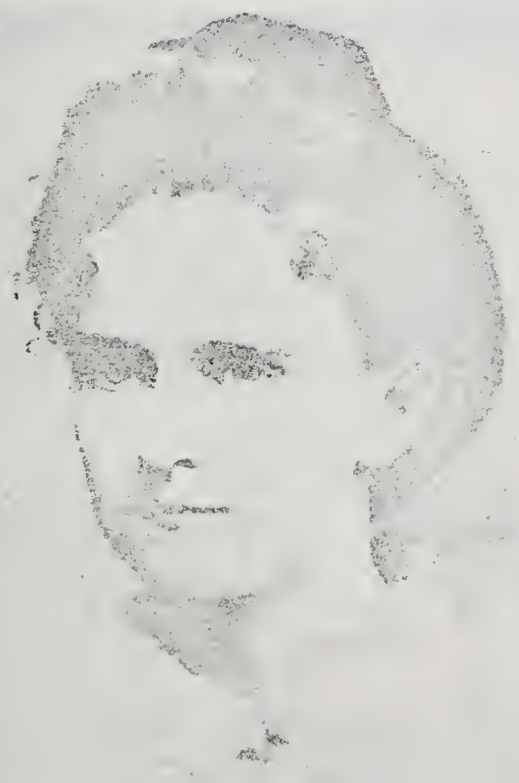
LETTER FROM MISS FLORA A. SMITH TO HER NEPHEW, LYMAN OREN SMITH, FATHER OF HENRIETTA SMITH CECIL.

Whiting, Vt.
Nov. 13th, 1923

Dear Nephew Lyman:

Your great grandfather, Newell Smith, came from Amesbury, Mass., when a young man. He married Electa Champion. She was a most exemplary Christian greatly beloved by those who knew her. Grandfather died when I was quite young. I never saw him. They had six children: Austin, Daniel, Eliza (Mrs. Samuel Sprague), Lyman, Robert, Jane. Lyman Smith, your grandfather, was fifty years a minister of the Gospel, and I think few ministers are remembered longer or with more affection than was he. His first wife Sarah Ward lived but a short time and is buried in Essex, Vermont, also her son Lyman who died when 5 years of age. His second wife your grandmother was Rebecca Sarah Beecher daughter of Austin and Sarah Stone Beecher who came to Vt. from New Milford, Conn. in 1812. She was a teacher of sufficient reputation to be called to Philadelphia to a position in Rev. Robert Cushman's Collegiate Institute for young ladies. (He was a brother of Charlotte Cushman the great actress who had a villa at Newport.) There was no railroad then this side of New York and to go to Phil. then was more of an adventure than a trip to China now. I wish I had written her account of the journey it was so interesting. She rode in a stage-coach from Hinesburgh to Albany without rest except as they stopped to change horses. From then by boat to N. Y. and finished the trip on the first cars of the first railroad from N. Y. to Phil. The cars were small with zinc floor, wooden seats and no heat, and about as joggley as a lumber wagon. Went probably at the alarming rate of 12 miles an hour. In those days each state had its own peculiar money which must be arranged for, so you see it was quite a journey for a young lady alone. After a year she resigned her place and returned to H. where for several years—until her marriage, she had a school for young ladies, in a building the people erected for her use—and pupils came to her from a number of different towns about the state. The Beechers trace their ancestry to some of the first settlers who came from England to Conn. There is a legend that two brothers came. One settling in New Haven from whom de-

LEONIDAS CECIL



HELEN SINCLAIR OWENS

HELEN SINCLAIR OWENS CECIL

Duncan Cameron Walton Cecil
Portrait by Robert Henri

Arthur Bond Cecil, Jr.
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ANNIE WAHLGREEN HODGDON SMITH AND LYMAN OREN SMITH

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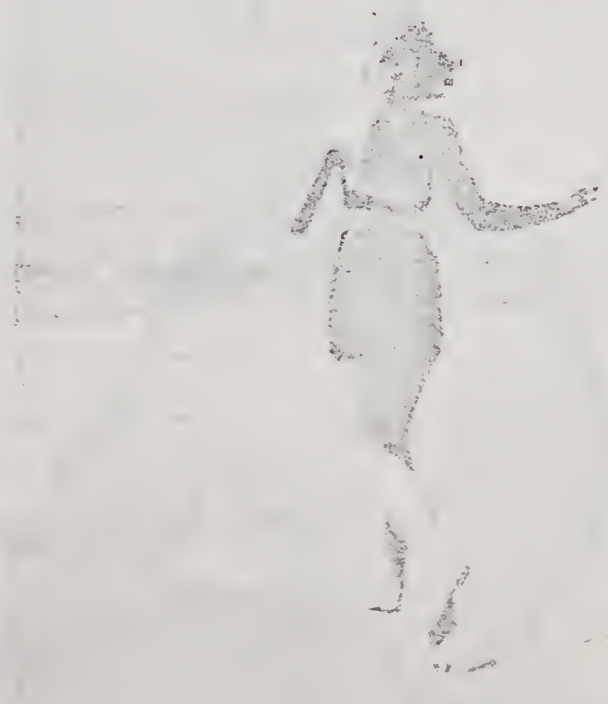

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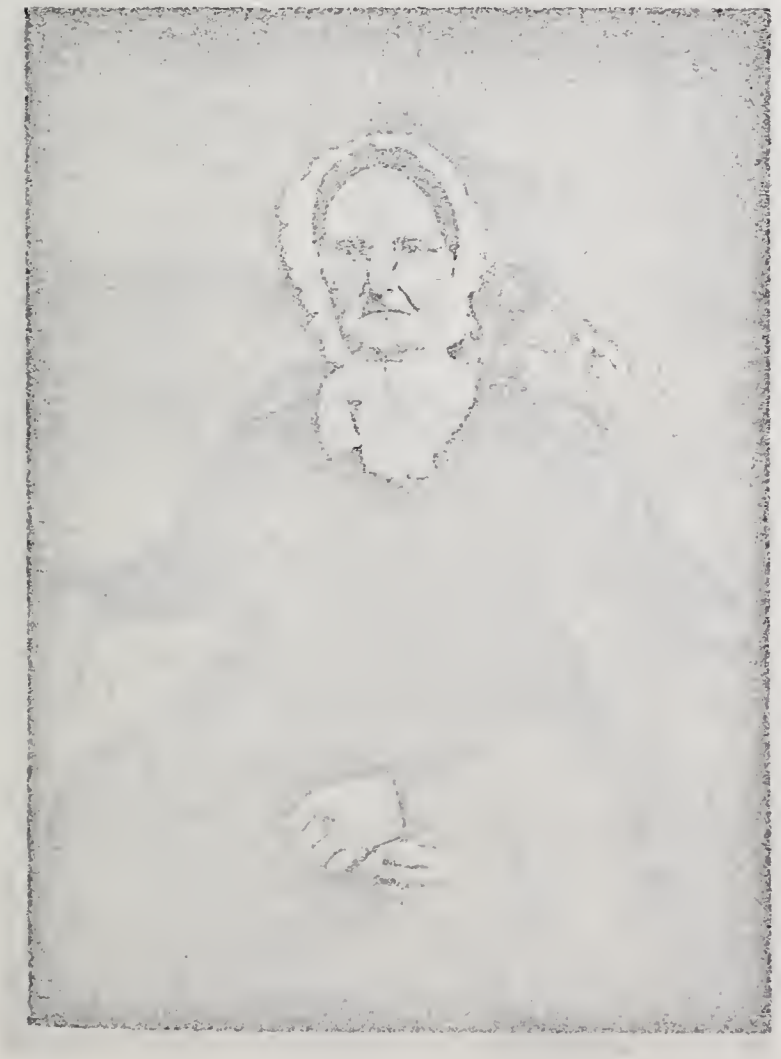

ELECTA CHAMPION SMITH

Daughter of Daniel Champion
Wife of Newell Smith and Mother of
Rev. Lyman Smith

REV. LYMAN SMITH

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scended the famous Lyman Beecher family which included Henry Ward Beecher and Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, the other brother in New Milford our ancestor. I can not say certainly, there seem to be several incidents that make the theory plausible that I have not time to write.

Your great grandfather Austin Beecher was born in New Milford in 1782, was a man well known through the State. I quote from his Obituary which was printed in several papers.

OBITUARY—

Another of the Veteran soldiers in the cause of truth and freedom has fallen. On April 3rd, 1872, Austin Beecher father of Rev. J. S. Beecher late missionary of Bassun Burma, departed this life in the 91st year of his age. He has fallen not in defeat but victory. Liberty has triumphed the bondman is free, and he who has stood so boldly amidst opposition, an unflinching advocate of the right, might well feel it is "Glory enough for one liftime to witness the downfall of oppression." Mr. Beecher was a man of more than ordinary talent, of considerable reading especially of Biblical Literature and History, and was one of the first reformers in the cause of Temperance and Anti-Slavery. His clarion voice and prayers were early raised against the sin and practice of slavery, the echo of which was heard at home, abroad and in the Halls of Legislation. He boldly denounced and demanded the abolition of that system of oppression.

He was coadjutor with Garrison, was among the first to circulate his paper the "Liberator," having declared his abolition sentiments before that paper was published. He helped establish at Washington the "National Era," a paper published in defense of universal liberty and the rights of all.

He was one of the first to call in Chitenden Co. and probably the State to form a Temperance Constitution with pledge against the use of ardent spirits as a beverage. Was one of the first to sign a call for a Free Soil Convention to oppose the further spread of slavery to the Free Territories.

Mr. Beecher was an able debater in the Lyceum and Legislature. He spoke clearly and to the point with strong logic and apt illustration. At times he met his opponent with keen sarcasm. Among the prominent traits of his character were his indomitable perseverance, integrity and tenacity for the truth in whatsoever he judged to be morally politically and religiously right. He united with the Baptist

Church in H. in 1818 and remained until his death a firm believer and advocate of Baptist principles.

I must add that his house was one of the stations of the "underground railroad" that helped the fugitive slaves escape to Canada, although it made him liable to imprisonment and loss of all his property. He was a soldier in the Battle of Plattsburgh.

Your great-grandmother his wife, was Sarah Stone of New Milford Conn. daughter of Benjamin Stone Junior, and grand-niece of Roger Sherman an historic character. She was a lovely woman. I think the last chapter of the Book of Proverbs describes her well. She had the joy of knowing that her seven children were all earnest, useful Christians. I think of them as happy together in the Home above.

The children were: Orinda (Mrs. Lewis Chandler) New York, Rebecca (Mrs. Lyman Smith), John Sidney, Flora (Mrs. Rollins J. Jones) West-Cornwall, Vt., Sylvia Maria, Harmon A., Ruth Emma (Mrs. Russell Wells).

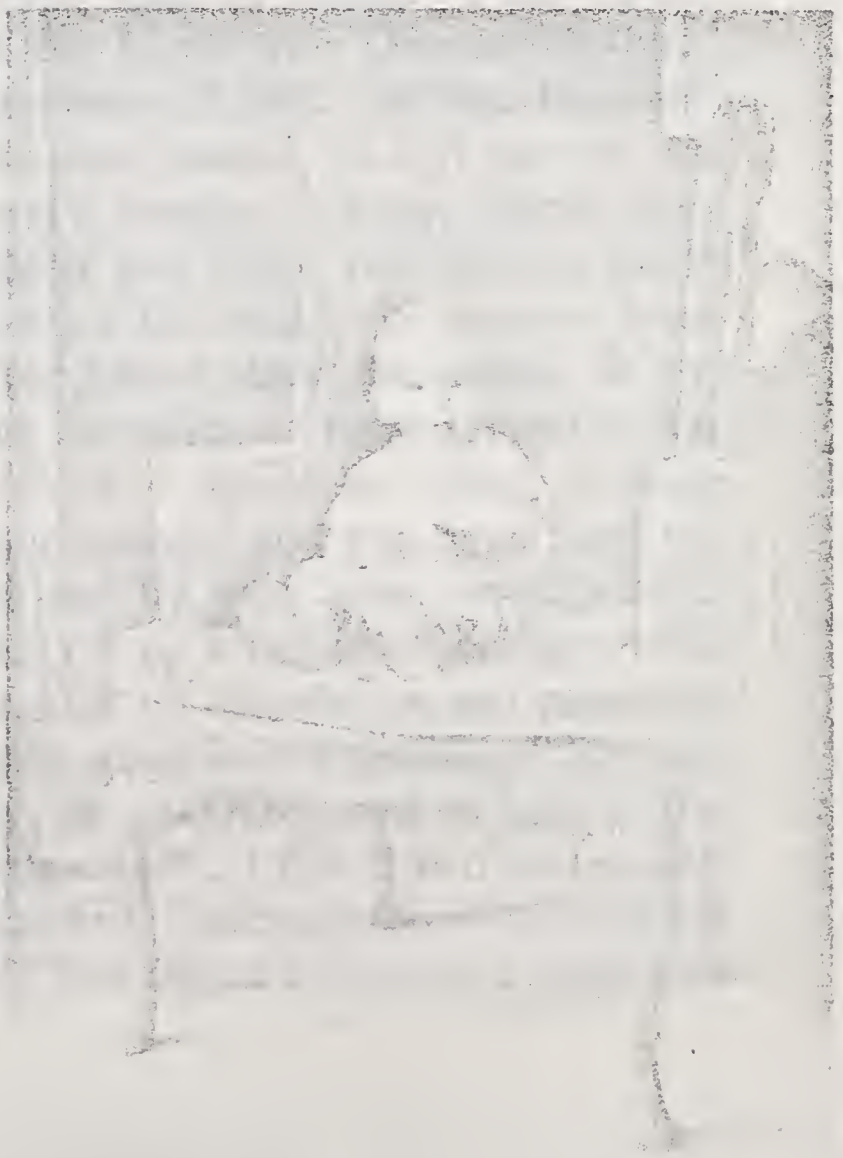
Uncle John went to Burma in 1846 when it took six months to make the voyage around Cape Good Hope and the same time to get a letter back. So it was a year before the family heard of his arrival there. Harmon A. Beecher was for forty years Deacon of the Baptist Church in Hinesburgh, for many years organist. He lived to be 86 years old and to the very last his rich bass voice was heard in the choir. His son Herbert Rollin B. at the time of his death was Deacon and Treasurer of the First-Baptist Church, Burlington, Vt.

Daniel Champion born in Conn. 1763. Died May 23rd 1856, buried in Panton, Vt. While a resident of Addison Vt. he enlisted in Seth Warner's Reg't. (Sunderland) Oct. 27th 1776 and served until Oct. 27th 1779. Was in Capt. Barney's Co. Col. Ira Allen's Reg't, as a private Oct. 11th 1780, and as a Corporal in May 1782. (Vt. Reserve) Rolls. When a resident of Vergennes, he applied for Bounty Land and was granted 160 acres. His application is on file at the Pension Office and shows his signature to be remarkably good and firm. He had twelve children, his daughter Electa—father's mother.

I am your affectionate Aunt

Flora A. Smith.

Josephine Cecil
b. January 15, 1945
Daughter of Arthur Bond Cecil and
Henrietta Alice Smith Cecil



William Hodgdon Cecil
b. August 30, 1947
Son of Arthur Bond Cecil and
Henrietta Alice Smith Cecil

Miss Flora Smith in the above letter does not show the exact relationship of Sarah Stone and Roger Sherman. Sarah Stone was the daughter of Benjamin Stone Jr. and Elizabeth Hartwell. Elizabeth Hartwell was the daughter of Joseph Hartwell Jr. and Rebecca Sherman. Rebecca Sherman was the sister of Roger Sherman, Signer of the Declaration of Independence.

Rebecca Sherman b. July 30, 1731, O.S.: M. May 24, 1751, Joseph Hartwell, Junior, son of Deacon Joseph and Mary (Tolman) Hartwell, b. 1735, and d. at New Milford, April 11, 1818, aged 83 yrs. (grave stone). She d. in Yates County, New York, in 1821, aged 90. She was separated from her husband, and her brother Hon. Roger Sherman, wrote a letter to her as follows:

Philadelphia January 18th 1792

Dear Sister

I have for a long time been waiting for an opportunity to write to you and have now obtained one by favour of Mr. Phelps who has undertaken to forward this to you.

I was at your house at New Milford in September last. Brother Hartwell and your children were then in health. I saw your daughter Gaylord who lives in the house with Deacon Gaylord. She told me that your friends there were all well. Brother Hartwell appears to live a lonesome life in your absence he says he was not willing that you should go so long a journey. He says that he does not expect to come and accompany you home, nor does he know that you would be willing to come if he should—he came to New Haven once on purpose to ask my advice about the matter. It appears to me that it will be best for you to return home as soon as you can have the company of any friend. I should be willing to assist you if it was in my power—Your husband and you have lived together a great number of years and by your joint industry have acquired a good estate—and brought up a family of children who are all married and settled in families by themselves, and now you might be mutual comforts to each other in the decline of life and enjoy the fruits of your industry, and dwell together as heirs of the grace of life as an inspired Apostle enjoins. I fear that if you should continue absent from your husband till the expiration of three years he will despair of your returning and obtain a divorce. I hope you

will find means to come home soon. I would give ten dollars toward the expence to any friend that shall assist you in coming home—You would not I believe be willing to be forever seperated from your husband and be considered as the blameable cause of it—I have been at Philadelphia attending Congress about three months, and expect to continue here till the middle of next month—I wish you would send me a letter to this place, to let me know how you do and what wishes or prospects you have of coming home—

I received a letter from home this week & my family were well.

I am your affectionate

Brother ROGER SHERMAN

Mrs. Rebecca Sherman

"Substance of a letter to Sister Hartwell" written on the back of the letter. Children born at New Milford:

1. Mary[11] Hartwell, b. Sept. 30, 1752; m. Aug. 7, 1769, Abel Botsford, of New Milford, b. Sept. 6, 1747; d. 1817.
2. Ruth[11] Hartwell, b. Mar. 6, 1755; m. June 30, 1775, Nathan Gaylord, of New Milford, b. Dec. 7, 1748; d. July 29, 1806. She d. May 10, 1804.
3. Sarah[11] Hartwell, b. June 15, 1757; m. (1) Feb. 20, 1778, Peter Gaylord, b. July 27, 1751; d. Sept. 28, 1793. She m. (2) Merwin. She d. Oct. 13, 1847.
4. Samuel[11] Hartwell, b. Apr. 13, 1760; m. Elizabeth Wilkinson, b. Dec. 6, 1760; d. aged 90. He d. 1851.
5. Elizabeth[11] Hartwell, b. Apr. 24, 1763; m. Benjamin Stone, Junior, of New Milford, b. 1760; d. Apr. 11, 1823. She d. May 9, 1800.
6. Joseph[11] Hartwell, b. Mar. 7, 1766; m. (1) Rachel Stone, b. 1767; d. Nov. 12, 1837; m. (2) Barbara Farvour. He d. Jan. 1, 1845.
7. Isaac[11] Hartwell, b. June 14, 1768; m. Mary Pitcher, b. 1771; d. Mar. 7, 1856. He d. May 8, 1855.
8. Rebecca[11] Hartwell, b. Aug. 1, 1770; m. May 14, 1788, Nathan Botsford Buckingham, son of Benjamin and Ann (Bots-

The committee charged with drawing up the American colonies' Declaration of Independence lay their draft before John Hancock, President of The Continental Congress. Standing before the Presidential rostrum are John Adams, Roger Sherman, Robert R. Livingston, Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin. From the paintings by John Trumbull in the Yale University Art

Anne Arundel Cecil
b. March 18, 1942
Daughter of Arthur Bond Cecil and Henrietta Alice Smith Cecil

Henrietta Alice Cecil
b. January 30, 1944
Daughter of Arthur Bond Cecil and Henrietta Alice Smith Cecil

ford) Buckingham, b. July, 1761; d. May 26, 1845. She d. Aug. 26, 1847.

Roger Sherman (1721-1793), Signer of the Declaration of Independence. Delegate to the Continental Congress and with Adams, Franklin, Jefferson and Livingstone drafted the Declaration of Independence. Also, helped draft the Articles of Confederation. He was Judge of the Connecticut Superior Court; Mayor of New Haven; Treasurer of Yale College; State Senator for nineteen years; and served in both the House and the Senate from Connecticut. His statue is in Statuary Hall, United States Capitol, gift of the State of Connecticut in 1872.

Henrietta Alice Smith Cecil is the direct descendant to Captain John Sherman who came to Watertown, Massachusetts, about 1636. He was a Steward of Harvard College in 1660. She is the great-great-great-great grand-niece of Roger Sherman, Signer of the Declaration of Independence.

THOMAS SHERMAN — M. AGNES .....
Of Diss, Norfolk and Yaxley, Suffolk, England
D. 1493

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JOHN SHERMAN — M. AGNES FULLER
D. 1504

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THOMAS SHERMAN — M. 1512 JANE WALLER
B. 1490 — B.
D. 1551 — D. 1573

/

HENRY SHERMAN — M(1) AGNES (AGNES BUTTER?)
B. 1520 — B. Oct. 14, 1580
M(2) JUNE 15, 1581 MARION (SMYTH) WILSON.
No issue
M(3) MARGERY ..... No issue.

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HENRY SHERMAN, Jr. — M. JUNE 14, 1568 — SUSAN LAWRANCE
B. 1547
Buried, Aug. 28, 1610

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JOHN SHERMAN — M. MAY 14, 1610 — GRACE MAKIN
B. Aug. 17, 1585, Dedham
D. Jan. 24, 1615/16, Great Horkesby.

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CAPTAIN JOHN SHERMAN M. 1637 MARTHA PALMER
Baptized Sept. 3, 1612, Great Horkesby, Essex.
Came to Watertown, Mass. about 1636. B.
Steward of Harvard College 1660. D. Feb. 7, 1700/01
D. January 25, 1690/91.

JOSEPH SHERMAN M. NOV. 18, 1673 ELIZABETH WINSHIP
B. May 14, 1650, Watertown, Conn. B. April 15, 1652
D. January 20, 1730

WILLIAM SHERMAN M. 1715 MEHETABEL WELLINGTON
B. June, 1692, Watertown, Conn. B. Feb. 20, 1688/87, Watertown.
D. Mar. 20, 1741, Stoughton

JOSEPH HARTWELL JR. M. May 24, 1751 REBECCA SHERMAN
B. 1735 B. July 30, 1731, O.S.
D. April 11, 1818, New Milford. D. 1821, Yates, New York.
Sister of Roger Sherman, Signer of The Declaration of Independence.

BENJAMINE STONE JR. M. ELIZABETH HARTWELL
B. 1760 B. April 24, 1763
D. April 11, 1823 D. May 9, 1800

AUSTIN BEECHER M. SARAH STONE—Came to Vermont from New Milford, 1812
B. 1782, New Milford
D. April 3, 1872

LYMAN SMITH M(2) REBECCA SARAH BEECHER
M(1) SARAH WARD. B. Essex, Vermont. Died shortly after marriage. Son Lyman died five years old.

GAYLORD BEECHER SMITH M. July 13, 1877 ALICE VIENNA WALKER
B. Oct. 5, 1843 D. Feb. 4, 1905 Plainfield, N.H. B. Mar. 12, 1853 D. June 21, 1948

LYMAN OREN SMITH M. OCTOBER 15, 1907 ANNIE WAHLGREEN HODGDON
B. May 10, 1881, Plainfield, N. H. B. April 3, 1877

HENRIETTA ALICE SMITH M. AUGUST 12, 1938 ARTHUR BOND CECIL, Sr.
B. August 19, 1908 B. May 8, 1885

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RESIDENCE OF DR. AND MRS. ARTHUR BOND CECIL

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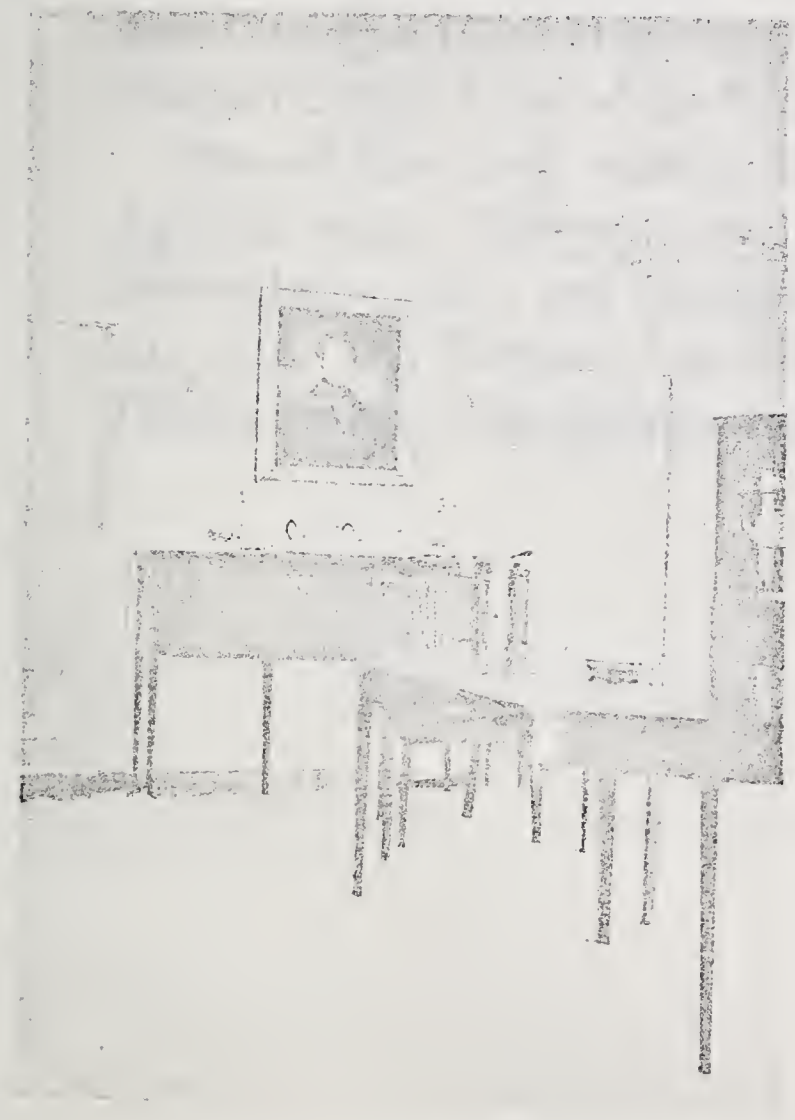

DINING ROOM

Los Angeles residence of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Bond Cecil
Dining Room table from Clayland. Owned by Owen Cecil. Dining room chairs given to me by my Mother. The Sideboard was owned by my great-aunt, Mrs. George Claytor. The silver service was owned by Owen Cecil at Clayland. Portrait is of my grandfather, Edward Armistead Owens by Sarah Peale.

LIVING ROOM AND LIBRARY

Los Angeles residence of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Bond Cecil. Portrait is of William Cecil

HOWARD LEE CECIL
1887-

HOWARD Lee Cecil was born December 20, 1887, at Millersville, Maryland, son of Leonadis Cecil and Helen Sinclair Owens Cecil. Our mother named him as an abbreviation of our father's name, Lee and the name Howard from her cousin Howard Kingsbury of Philadelphia.

Preliminary education at Anne Arundel Academy. Graduated from St. John's College 1908 and Johns Hopkins Medical School 1913. Intern in Surgery Johns Hopkins Hospital 1913-14. Resident Urologist Johns Hopkins Hospital 1920. Served as Captain, Medical Corps, Army of the United States in Europe 1917-19.

Howard Lee Cecil married Miss Bessie Walker Omohundro April 30, 1921. There were two children, Helen Elizabeth, born November 1, 1921, and Howard Lee Cecil, Jr., born February 13, 1926. Dr. Howard Lee Cecil is now in the U.S. Public Health Service, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Dr. Howard Lee Cecil

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